

Sinclair Broadcasting has reportedly instructed their stations to replace regular programming and to show instead a "documentary" which will deride John Kerry and his military service and government service. This is a blatant usurpation of public airways for political advertising.....unpaid and unregulated. As such, it is a vivid example of the abuses resulting from media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Their action shows why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

Their action also shows why license renewal procedures should be true evaluations of and enforcement of the media company's non partisan service to the public via public airways.

Sincerely,

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